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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Board of Officers

OF THE

Town of Wallingford,

VERMONT,

For the Year Ending Feb. 15th,

1896.

RUTLAND:
THE TUTTLE COMPANY, JOB PRINTERS,
1896.

3 stoves, 1 brass kettle, 2 spiders, 3 flat irons, 3 dinner pots	$17 00
3,000 shingles, $6; 500 feet lumber	11 00
1 lot crockery	20 00
1 sugar pan, 4 butter boxes	1 00
1 force pump and steel square	3 50
150 bushels potatoes	30 00
15 bushels turnips, beets, carrots, parsnips, 40 cabbages	8 00
1-2 barrel corned beef	5 00
150 lbs. ham	12 00
250 lbs pork	17 50
3-4 barrel pickles, $5; 2 bushels beans, $3	8 00
30 gallons vinegar	4 50
Barrels, soap and grease	5 00
40 lbs. butter, 50 lbs. lard	13 00
1 1-2 barrels flour	6 00
12 barrels dried beef and candles	2 25
3 gallons kerosene, sugar, tea, coffee and crackers	3 96
Small tinware	1 50
	$1,186 16

ACCOUNT OF ELIAS STEWART AS OVERSEER OF POOR, 1895-6.

EXPENDITURES.

Feb.	The Tuttle Co., book for overseer	$1 00
26	C. H. Patch, hay for farm	20 00
28	Wm. Pelsue, sawing lumber for farm	4 79
March 1	E. A. Fuller, goods for C. Wade	4 37
	Geo. Maxham, drawing wood for Grover, 1894	2 50
21	J. Healey, rent for Grover	40 00
	E. Healey, drawing wood for Grover	6 00
27	Peter Duffy, goods to W. R. Spaulding	1 90
April 16	W. Pierce, meal bill	23 80
	Mrs. Lanerghan, goods	10 00

April	20	Pelsue & Tower, making shingles	$13 25
	23	Widow Riley, board "Geo. Eddy's wife,"	5 00
	24	Insurance on town farm buildings	7 40
		Goods for Mrs. Geo. Eddy	80
	29	J. R. Priest, 2 cows for town farm	63 00
		Lewis Grover, 100 meal	1 10
		E. S. Wilson, goods for farm	10 49
May	6	W. R. Spaulding, goods for Grover	1 73
		Lewis Grover, 300 lbs. phosphate	4 70
	11	E. Healey, work for Grover	6 50
	21	E. Bourne, work painting and papering on farm buildings	5 00
	24	A. Ray, barley	5 00
	29	W. R. Spaulding, goods for farm	50 00
June	12	L. Grover, 100 feed	1 25
	15	John Patch, for board, White child	10 00
	28	G. G. Marshall, doctoring C. Wade's family	7 25
	29	G. G. Marshall, health officer	4 75
		Widow Lanerghan	11 00
July	1	L. Grover, goods	2 50
	15	F. O. Stafford, goods for farm	40 96
	16	J. Lawrence, beef for farm	75
	18	One pig for farm	2 50
		S. A. Eddy, haying on farm	16 62
		E. S. Wilson, goods for farm	2 89
		Geo. Rogers, goods	2 50
	30	H. Patch, on salary	25 00
	31	L. Grover, 100 meal	1 20
Aug.	19	Sprague Bros., threshing on farm	10 24
	24	A. Graves, filing saws	1 25
		J. Lawrence, beef	50
Sept.	7	J. Smead, goods for farm	3 75
	10	W. Pierce, meal and bran	50 28
		Insurance tax	6 30
		Mrs. Geo. Eddy, goods	3 25
		Clemons and wife (transient)	5 00
	18	John Ames, potatoes for Grover	3 00
		H. Patch, on salary	25 00
	23	Cahee & Packer, goods for farm	16 00

Sept.	25	L. Grover, 100 lbs. meal	$1 00
Oct.	5	W. R. Spaulding, goods for farm	70 00
		H. Hopkins, meal and grinding for farm	3 38
	15	E. Healey, work for Grover	3 00
	16	L. Grover, goods	1 25
	28	Mrs. E. F. Priest, board and care of Shepard family from Dec. 1, 1894, to 1895	50 00
		C. L. Hill, corn and grinding	3 20
	30	Widow Patch, 2 pigs for farm	7 00
Nov.	2	H. Dawson, one cow for farm	20 00
	7	E. Southard, one stove for Grover	7 00
	9	R. Archer, one bull for farm	9 00
	11	1 cow for farm	15 50
	12	C. L. Hill, grinding grain	1 00
		Rod Stewart, beef for farm	96
	18	L. Grover, 100 meal	90
		F. O. Stafford & Co., goods for C. Wade last spring	6 00
		F. O. Stafford & Co., goods for E. D. Stone child	1 14
	23	H. Patch, on salary	25 00
	25	John Patch balance due for board of White child to March 1, 1896	15 00
	29	Mrs. Lanerghan to goods	50
Dec.	5	F. O. Stafford & Co., phosphate, farm	15 00
	6	C. Duclaw, goods from W. R. Spaulding	1 10
		Parker & Pelkey, wood for Mrs. Anson Eddy.	9 37
	7	Dan Pelsue, goods from W. R. Spaulding	1 20
		Dan Pelsue, goods from W. R. Spaulding	1 25
		H. Hopkins, grinding grain	1 00
	21	W. H. Bond, care of Widow Lanerghan while sick	5 00
		Dr. Whipple, doctoring Mrs. Lanerghan	1 25
	23	George Spooner, blacksmithing	10 00
	24	J. F. Hart, wood	9 00
1896.			
Jan.		Mrs. E. F. Priest, doctor bill, care and funeral expense of Mrs. W. Shepard	30 00
	2	F. O. Stafford, goods for farm	32 34

Jan.	14	L. H. Edmunds, rent for J. F. Hart to March 1, 1896	$4 00
	15	W. Pierce, meal bill	3 25
		J. E. Edgeton, timber for Grover	2 00
	16	H. Doty, butchering on farm	2 50
		E. Shum, keeping tramps	1 00
	17	M. V. Williams, goods for Grover	2 55
		C. A. Claghorn, goods for J. Dolan	9 93
		D. Young, goods for J. Dolan	70
		M. V. Williams, goods for J. Dolan	2 70
		F. H. Houghton, goods for J. Dolan	2 89
		Charles Townsend, goods for J. Dolan	4 75
	24	W. R. Spaulding, goods to Chas. Deuclaw	50
		W. R. Spaulding, goods to D. Pelsue	1 00
	25	Nancy Buffom, to goods and help	13 15
	27	G. G. Marshall, doctoring poor	7 20
		C. L. Hill, grinding grain	90
		H. Hopkins, grinding grain	65
	28	A. Graves, filing saws	2 20
		George Spooner, blacksmithing	5 61
		J. R. Priest, goods for farm	23 00
		W. R. Spaulding, goods for farm	59 84
		Expense of tramps	7 75
	29	S. C. Saunders, goods for J. Dolan	6 99
		S. C. Saunders, goods for Thos. Pesha	2 42
		Elizabeth Winne, work at J. Dolan's	8 00
	30	C. A. Claghorn, goods for Chas. Allen	3 65
		W. E. Stewart, doctoring Thomas Pesha	4 50
		W. E. Stewart, doctoring J. Dolan	29 25
		H. Patch, balance of salary	175 00
		E. Stewart, overseer's salary	40 00
		S. D. Hazen, doctoring Prindle	1 00
		S. D. Hazen, doctoring D. Pelsue's family	3 75
		Paul Beauregard	15 00
		Mrs. Eddy	5 00
		Miss Effie Fisk	5 00
		L. Keyes	1 50
		Charles Clark	80
			$1,359 34

RECEIPTS.

March		77 bushels potatoes sold	$38 50	
		Syrup sold	24 75	
		Calves sold	49 06	
May		Shingles and boards sold	16 87	
		Calves skins sold	1 40	
July	10	Milk (month May) sold	43 00	
Aug.		June milk sold	50 57	
Sept.		One cow sold	15 28	
	23	Hogs sold	30 80	
Oct.	5	Bull sold	12 00	
		Rent of bull	2 00	
		July milk sold	43 15	
Nov.	6	August milk sold	38 61	
		Cabbages sold	50	
	11	One old cow sold	10 00	
Dec.	9	One calf sold	7 00	
		September milk sold	43 42	
		Hides sold	4 02	
	24	Received for work done in haying by H. Patch	7 50	
		October milk sold	41 45	
		Eggs sold	7 39	
				$487 27
Orders drawn on treasurer				872 07
				$1,359 34

E. J. CHILSON, ROAD COMMISSIONER IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WALLINGFORD:

	Dr.	Cr.
To cash on hand in highway account, February, 1895	$ 265 57	
Error in last report	1 00	
To received from state treasurer, portion of highway tax	423 92	

To 20 per cent of grand list of 1894, placed to him	$2,349 59	
C. Howe		$ 125 88
E. C. Kent, plank		14 64
Homer Waldo, drawing gravel		16 15
Wm. O'Brien		11 00
A. Wilder		2 70
Harry Dawson, gravel, $5; work, $5.63		10 63
Foster Harvey		6 56
W. R. Spaulding, shovels, $2.10; oil, etc., $5.25; shovels, wire and bars, $19.38: spikes, $1.60; iron rake, 40c; glass, 40c		29 13
William Armstrong, 59 1-2 days work, $3.50 per day		208 25
Homer Lyons, work done at South Wallingford as per contract		300 00
George Clemmons		58 63
F. O. Stafford & Co., ax, wire and work		7 00
Wm. Dawson		119 99
George Dawson		1 25
Morlan Lane		4 00
Herbert Willard		1 25
L. Dewgaw		2 19
B. E. Crapo, oil and forks		2 12
Burt Bixby		54 87
S. Terrill & Son, axle for road machine		2 65
D. D. Tarbell, dynamite		71 90
George Miner		7 80
Climax Road Machine Co., difference between road machines		175 00
One cutting edge and bolts		5 00
Express on cutting edge		1 00
S. L. Griffith, one man and 2 teams, $5.50 per day		186 12
Wm. Hager, picking stone		1 50
P. Maloney		1 88
E. Hill		1 25
John Congdon		5 30
George Provost, blacksmithing		45

D. Maloney	$1 00
Lewis Law	1 87
Frank Buffum	4 00
S. Pelky, land damage for Fred Goodell road laid out by selectmen, $40; for logs, $1.68	41 68
C. Allen	11 38
Charles Hager, land damage, $9; for work, $1.38	10 38
Wesley Allen, work	1 00
Aden Lewis, work	28 00
Cyrus Fisk, work	2 00
Thomas Bowen	10 75
George Congdon, work	3 50
M. V. Williams, Cedar posts	4 90
M. V. Williams, iron rake	60
John Mooney, work	1 25
E. H. B. W. Aldrich, work and plank	193 16
E. H. B. W. Aldrich, lumber	13 75
R. Maranville, work	3 00
F. Green, work	40
B. Leonard, work	25
H. Niles, work	25
Allen Edgerton, work	1 75
J. E. Edgerton, work	1 25
H. Caryl	50
C. Stafford, 75 loads gravel	3 75
Wm. C. Edgerton, work	2 00
E. A. Fuller, work	4 50
D. A. Maxham	6 60
E. Maranville	1 00
R. Flanders	2 50
Eugene Bowen, work	5 00
Eugene Bolster	5 00
John Shum	4 38
Wm. Rogers, work	5 63
Charles Cole, work	7 50
E. J. Chilson, 63 days at $2	126 00
E. J. Chilson, 57 1-2 days at $2.50	143 75

E. J. Chilson, man and team 125 1-2 days at $3.50		$439 25
C. Buffum, work		2 10
Batcheller & Sons Co., 1 fork		75
Miles Rounds, work		5 00
George Spooner, blacksmithing		19 65
C. D. Childs, work		12 00
W. P. Clark, work and gravel		3 50
W. P. Clark, water trough		2 00
Charles Ikey, blacksmith bill		6 00
Frank Miller, gravel		5 00
Charles Congdon, work		3 00
M. Sawtelle		3 75
C. P. Goss, team, 2 men		3 07
A. Q. Adams, lumber		4 01
James Derrick		1 87
D. D. Tarbell, work in gulf		75 00
Noble Eddy		64 37
		$,2,740 64
Balance remaining in highway account		299 44
	$3,040 08	$3,040 08

INVENTORY OF PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS.

1 Climax road machine, 1 plow, 2 scrapers, 3 bars, 10 shovels, 3 forks, 1 potato hook, 1 bog hoe, 1 pair bush cullers, 60 feet 8-inch tile, 20 feet 6-inch tile, 50 feet 4-inch tile, 30 feet 10-inch tile.

ORDERS DRAWN BY SELECTMEN.

1895.

Feb. 27 C. P. Goss, expense of printing town report, 1895 ..... $35 18

March	22	C. O. Allen, moving safe	$4 35
April	1	S. C. Saunders, receipt book, $2.10; order book, 50c; tax book, $1.25; stationery, blanks and books, $2.00	5 85
	18	Fay B. Stafford, registering births and deaths, $2.65; copying deaths and marriages for secretary of state, $1.47; stationery and postage, 21c; annual meeting, $2	6 33
	30	Fay B. Stafford, services under school act making school report, 397 persons between 5 and 21 years, at 3c	11 91
May	10	Killington National Bank, money borrowed	1,000 00
June	1	Killington National Bank, money borrowed	1,200 00
		H. F. Field, state treasurer, state school and state highway	1,246 08
	13	W. R. Spaulding, expense on bridges	70 00
	17	The Tuttle Co., tax notices	1 31
	22	A. L. Weeks, U. S. revenue tax	25 00
July	1	Killington National Bank, borrowed money	1,000 00
		J. P. Black, interest on town bond, 7 per cent bonds	70 00
		S. B. Hall, interest on bonds, 7 per cent bonds	7 00
		H. F. Field, interest on bonds	625 00
		Geo. R. Bottom, trustee on bonds	10 00
	2	F. G. Willard, work on bridge	6 75
	8	B. E. Crapo, borrowed money	1,000 00
	16	M. V. Williams, material for bridge	28 40
		J. D. Pratt, lumber for bridge	30 00
	20	A. Q. Adams, lumber	22 10
	23	C. O. Allen, labor, material	28 01
Aug.	9	W. R. Spaulding, bill rendered on bridges	94 16
	17	H. F. Field, county tax	41 53
Sept.	7	H. Pelsue, land damage 2 years	10 00
	10	Winifred Saunders, treasurer, 3 per cent tax Gilbert Hart library	352 44
	10	E. M. Craig, 6 stringers and work	4 25
	16	E. J. Kilbourn, repairing town house	150 00
	21	Tuttle Co., 400 postal cards and printing	5 50
Oct.	2	E. H. & B. W. Aldrich, lumber	221 05

Oct.	18	F. G. Willard, shingling covered bridge.....	$21 74
	29	A. Q. Adams, lumber.....	64 85
Nov.	12	H. F. Field, two-thirds state tax.....	939 83
Dec.	6	C. O. Allen, nails, bolts and labor, lumber....	15 59
	20	A. Q. Adams, wood for town house, $1.10; plank, $14 27.....	15 37
	21	W. R. Spaulding, material and work on bridges.....	27 49
		Clarence Ward, damage to sheep by dogs....	9 00
		Daniel Maloney, damage to sheep by dogs.....	15 00
	31	H. F. Field, town bonds No. 73-77, inclusive	2,700 00
Jan.	1	J. P. Black, interest on bonds, 7 per cent bonds	70 00
		S. B. Hall, interest on bonds, 7 per cent bonds	7 00
		H. F. Field, interest on bonds.....	625 00
		G. R. Bottum, trustee, interest on bonds.....	10 00
	27	C. H. Maranville, 5 stringers, Hill bridge....	4 34
Feb.	5	A. Q. Adams, for team work on Hill bridge...	2 32
	6	C. O. Allen, work on bridges, $4.42, drawing plank, .40, team to Tinmouth on account Frost's dog, $1.85	6 67
		W. R. Spaulding, S. F. Sherman, work, .62, nails, .18; Geo. Bourne, work, $1.75; M. Tarbel, lumber, $6.57; J. C. Patch, work, $1.00; E. R. Allen, house damage	15 12
Feb.	5	Wm. C. Edgerton, damage, 1895, on horse, Whiterocks bridge.....	8 00
		B. W. Aldrich pd. E. A. Fuller, work on bridge, $5.25; Geo. Winship, work, .75; Geo. Cole and man, $3.50; C. Hall, surveying Goodell road, $3.00; sold old plank for $1.00	11 50
		C. L. Higgins, abatement of taxes.....	63 01
		Geo. W. Streeter, abatement 1895 tax.....	2 40
		Cash paid by S. C. Saunders, treas., interest on borrowed money.....	49 52
		Order No. 59, transferred to school fund acct.	3,790 71
		Order No. 58, to trustees of U. S. deposit money.....	209 29
			$15,995 95

TO PAY TOWN OFFICERS.

B. W. Aldrich, services as selectman	$20 00
C. O. Allen, services as selectman	20 00
W. R. Spaulding, services as selectman	20 00
E. C. Parmenter, services as lister	35 00
J. R. Priest, services as lister	35 00
C. Hall, services as lister	35 00
Fay B. Stafford, salary as town clerk, one day's service	27 00
S. C. Saunders, salary as treasurer and 104 names	105 20
C. P. Goss, auditors	12 00
	$309 20
Amount selectmen's orders	$16,305 15

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR 1895-96.

MESSRS.:—

The organization of the board of school directors was continued as last year, with Mr. Archibald, chairman and superintendent, and Rollin C. Stafford, clerk. No special repairs have been necessary this year on any of the buildings, nor is it anticipated that much expense for the same will need to be incurred the coming year.

Schools have been maintained in the several neighborhoods as indicated in the table below, six weeks more in the aggregate than last year. In the table the weeks of school sustained, the number enrolled each term, and the total number of different scholars enrolled in each school are shown. At East Wallingford there have been several more enrolled for the last weeks of the last term than are here shown, as some have attended after the close of near by schools who had most of their schooling for the year in these other schools.

Neighborhood where school was taught.	No. weeks school for year.	No. in attendance 1st term.	No. in attendance 2d term.	No. in attendance 3d term.	No enrolled during year.
Aldrichville	28	18	17		20
West Hill	30	17	18	19	20
South Wallingford	36	26	27	25	30
Sprague	30	16	15	17	20
Centreville	30	22	23	17	26
Sweetland	30	20	16	14	23
East Wallingford	36	19	19	20	28
Wallingford High School	36	28	31	29	161
Intermediate	36	24	27	27	
Grammar School	36	30	25	27	
Primary	36	57	55	47	

There is an increase in the cost of the schools of the town for the year due wholly to the fact that the expense of books and supplies has been placed upon the town. We endeavored to so meet the matter as to provide whatever was needful for the schools. In the line of books for the coming year it is believed the expense will be very small if anything. In the matter of supplies, there is not enough experience to justify any certain estimate, but it is thought that it will in no case exceed the expense for that item herewith reported. In accord with the act passed by the last legislature the directors have made choice of books in each subject as follows: Reading, Normal Course, and Harper's Series, and selections for supplementary work. History, Montgomery's series. Civil Government, Mowry's. Geography, History and Constitution of Vermont, Conant's. Physiology, Stowell's series. Arithmetic, Wentworth's Mental, Milne's Elements of and Standard. Grammar, Maxwell's series. Geography, Barnes' series, and for special use, Appleton's Lessons, and Tilden's Grammar School; Eclectic Physical. Spelling, Normal Course. Writing, Normal Review System. Drawing, White's New. Good Behavior, The American Citizen. The Normal Music Course. The total expense of schools for the second year of the town system was $4,242.67, and the amount received for tuitions, rent and material sold during that time was $115.46, leaving as the net expense to the town for the second

year the sum of $4,127.21. The orders already drawn for school purposes during the current year amount to $4,725.49, and it is estimated that orders to the further amount of $706.00 will have to be drawn, making the cost to the town for the third year $5,431.49; from this deduct the amount received for tuitions, $28.50; for East Wallingford school house hall rent, $20, and for books sold, $1.70, and the tuitions now due, $21.50, and it will leave the net cost to the town, $5,359.79. Of the total cost of $5,431.49, there have been paid for teachers' wages including board, the sum of..... $3,343 66

For incidentals, including fuel.....	719 54	
For books.....	1,025 50	
For supplies.....	342 79	
		$5,431 49

Orders as reported below have been drawn to close the second year of the town system (as indicated in the list of orders drawn), and for the third year to this date. Including balance in treasury last year the whole amount received for school purposes is $6,697.66, as shown in the school fund account. Orders have been drawn since the last report to the amount of $5,384.87.

At the March meeting one director is to be chosen. The term of Messrs. Priest and Archibald expires. Mr. Miller has also resigned.

It is understood that at the time of the adoption of the town system, there was a certain sum in the hands of the treasurer of school district No. 6, which was due to the town, but has not been paid over.

The following orders have been drawn by the school directors:

Ursula L. Fuller, 12 weeks teaching at East Wallingford, spring.....	$ 96 00
E. B. Gray, teaching winter term, village high school..	175 00
Bertha A. Whitney, teaching 9 weeks, winter term, village intermediate A.....	81 00
Lillie M. Schumacher, teaching 9 weeks, winter term, intermediate B.....	72 00
Mattie E. Blanchard, teaching 9 weeks, winter term, village primary.....	85 50
John Wood, janitor work, 8 weeks, winter term, village..	8 00

Mary F. Meldon, teaching 12 weeks, winter term, South Wallingford		$114 00
R. C. Stafford, items as follows :		
Registering 397 scholars at 4 cents	$15 88	
Cash paid for cutting wood	2 00	
Cash paid for transporting Maud Hall	10 00	
		27 88
Total balance for second year of town schools to March 31, '95		$659 38
The Tuttle Co., report cards		1 40
D. B. Stafford, items as follows :		
Cash paid F. P. Edgerton for material and work	$2 53	
Fitting wood at West Hill	2 50	
Cleaning West Hill school house	1 50	
		6 53
Lillie M. Schumacher, teaching 8 weeks and 1 day, intermediate B, village school, spring term		65 60
E. B. Gray, teaching spring term, high school		233 33
Bertha A. Whitney, teaching 12 weeks, spring term, village, intermediate A		108 00
Hallie B. Alden, teaching 3 weeks and 4 days, spring term, intermediate B		30 40
Mattie E. Blanchard, teaching primary school 12 weeks, spring term		114 00
John Wood, janitor, work spring term at village		12 00
W. C. Mason, diplomas and ribbon		3 25
E. C. Parmenter, filling 6 diplomas		1 00
Nellie C. Crowley, teaching 10 weeks, spring term, Sweetland school		75 00
The Tuttle Co., printing		4 61
B. E. Crapo, merchandise		9 72
Orra Greene, teaching 10 weeks, spring term, Sprague school		65 00
Maria Edgerton, teaching 10 weeks, spring term, West Hill		50 00
F. H. Hoadley, insurance on Sweetland school house and furniture, 3 years		10 00

Ursula L. Fuller, teaching 11 weeks, spring term, East Wallingford		88 00
Mary Meldon, teaching 11 weeks, spring term, South Wallingford		104 50
George Maxham, transporting Maud Hall, spring term		10 00
Ginn & Co., books		151 49
Alice M. Armstrong, teaching 10 weeks, spring term, Centreville		75 00
Silver, Burdett & Co., books, $259.03, supplies, $94.83		353 86
F. H. Hoadley, insurance on school books and supplies for 3 years		20 00
American Book Co., books		348 88
Holden Patent Book Cover Co., covers and supplies		64 76
D. C. Heath & Co., books		74 00
The Tuttle Co., supplies		106 42
Moseley & Stoddard Mf'g Co., lumber		7 76
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn, books		37 39
The Tuttle Co., supplies, $29.25; books, $32.59		61 84
Mattie E. Blanchard, work, covering books and putting in labels	$19 50	
Cash paid out for school supplies	2 66	
		22 16
The Tuttle Co., books		34 92
Kittie Haynes, teaching 14 weeks, spring term, Aldrichville		91 00
S. H. Archibald, items as follows for cash paid out:		
Express	$ 25	
Diploma	28	
Railroad fare	1 35	
Lock & knobs	30	
Carting books to West Hill	50	
Carting books to 4 schools east of village	2 50	
Carting books to Aldrichville	1 50	
		6 68
American Book Co., books		57 20
J. R. Priest, items as follows:		
Chalk and erasers	$1 15	
3 brooms	80	

Paid Joe Sweeney for wood.....	$15 00	
" Mrs. Headle for cleaning school house.....	3 88	
Paid Mrs. Bragg, cleaning school house..	2 75	
Dipper and dust pan.....	55	
Paid Mrs. Brown, cleaning school house.	2 50	
C. Fisk, cutting wood and cleaning school yard.....	5 50	
Paid Pelky for wood.....	20 00	
Building fires, Sprague.	50	
Paid express.....	70	
Paid A. D. Graves for glass and lock.....	92	
" recording mortgage school fund....	50	
	$55 05	
Received for grass sold, school yard.....	1 00	
		54 05
Mary E. Stewart, cleaning village school house.....		16 50
Silver, Burdett & Co., books, $30 ; supplies, $3.20.....		33 20
F. H. Higgins, freight bills.....		14 06
E. D. Sabin, insurance on South Wallingford school house, assessment.....		3 10
H. C. Cole, work and material.....		17 25
C. J. Pooler, merchandise.....		4 13
Prang Educational Co., supplies.....		29 09
E. I. Kilburn, work.....		4 57
The Tuttle Co., supplies..... ..		1 35
F. P. Edgerton, material and work.....		5 00
J. H. Otis, use of hall.....		3 00
The Tuttle Co., supplies.....		13 89
H. C. Cole, work and material.....		8 86
Orra Greene, teaching 12 weeks, fall term, Sprague school		78 00
Nellie C. Crowley, teaching 12 weeks, fall term, Sweetland school...		90 00
Ursula L. Fuller, teaching 13 weeks, fall term, East Wallingford.....		104 00
Maria Edgerton, teaching 12 weeks, fall term, West Hill school.....		60 00

Delia G. Meldon, teaching 12 weeks, fall term, South Wallingford	$114 00
A. Q. Adams, wood for village school	6 30
Nellie Stone, teaching 14 weeks, fall term, Aldrichville school	91 00
Geo. Maxham, transporting Hall child, fall term	10 00
Alice M. Armstrong, teaching 12 weeks, fall term, Centreville school	90 00
E. Maude Comstock, teaching 15 weeks, fall term, village, intermediate	120 00
Bertha A. Whitney, teaching 15 weeks, fall term, village grammar school	135 00
Francis Quintal, janitor at village school, fall term	15 00
E. B. Gray, teaching fall term, high school	333 33
Mattie E. Blanchard, teaching 15 weeks, fall term, village primary school	142 50
F. H. Higgins, car load coal	110 40
Elroy C. Kent, wood for Centreville	12 00
Mary L. Belden, teaching 8 weeks, winter term Sprague school	60 00
Delia M. Crowley, teaching 8 weeks, winter term, Sweetland	60 00
Alice M. Armstrong, teaching winter term, 8 weeks, Centreville	60 00
Maria Edgerton, teaching eight weeks, winter term, West Hill	48 00
S. C. Saunders, merchandise	1 25
W. P. Cary & Co., merchandise	5 00
M. V. Williams, material and work	2 70
W. W. Carpenter, 4 1-2 cords wood and fitting same	18 00
Mrs. S. M. Pooler, water	3 00
C. L. Higgins, services as truant officer	5 00

S. H. Archibald, items as follows:

16 2-3 days services as school director	$25 00	
Express and freight paid	1 45	
Paid John I. Congdon for trucking	20	
Door lock for village school house	25	
Paid Geo. Bourne, carrying teacher	1 00	
" Miss Young, covering books	1 20	

Paid Miss Blanchard, covering books....	$ 90	
" E. A. Fuller, carrying teacher.....	1 25	
" S. G. Hawkins, lock for village...	50	
" Holden Book Cover Co., balance...	72	
" H. C. Cole, work.....	50	
Postage paid out, $2.30 ; stationery, 35c..	2 65	
		35 62
R. C. Stafford, items as follows:		
Paid for cleaning school house.....	$2 50	
Drawing water.....	50	
Paid for damper.....	15	
Moving books.....	75	
2 1-2 cords wood.....	7 50	
Paid for fitting wood.....	2 12	
Repairing school bell.....	35	
Paid for janitor work, West Hill.... ...	1 20	
Stationery and postage.....	1 25	
Registering 31 births at 15c.....	4 65	
Registering 35 deaths at 15c.....	5 25	
7 days as director.....	10 50	
		38 39
D. B. Stafford, 6 days as school director.....		9 00
John R. Priest, items as follows:		
Broom and dust pan.....	$ 40	
Miles Round, for building fires.....	50	
Broom....	30	
Dipper, dust pan, bought of E. S. Wilson.	47	
Jimmie Patch, cutting wood and janitor work.....	6 50	
Perry Hawkins, cutting wood and janitor work.....	6 50	
W. R. Headle, fitting wood and janitor work.....	8 00	
8 days as school director.	12 00	
W. R. Spaulding, for glass, etc	48	
	$35 15	
Received for brick sold.....	1 00	
		34 15

John D. Miller, items as follows:		
7 days as school director	$10 50	
Paid car fare of Miss Crowley	40	
Express paid	35	
Paid for telegrams	2 02	
" Paid Bates & Son, locks	75	
" Cahee & Packer, for map rolls	4 50	
" Bates & Son, padlocks, etc	4 50	
C. D. Miner, work on stoves	3 25	
O. Lord, labor	1 00	
B. Leonard, labor and cartage	4 75	
Postage	08	
Bates & Son, brushes	1 50	
B. Leonard, labor	75	
C. H. Maranville, 8 cords wood	24 00	
O. Lord, sawing wood	8 00	
G. E. Chalmers, framing two diplomas	3 00	
	$69 35	
Received for books sold	24 00	
		45 35
S. H. Archibald, 24 days as Sup't at $1.75 per day	42 00	
Report to town	2 50	
		44 50
E. H. & B. W. Aldrich, rent of building and wood	$25 00	
Brooms	1 00	
Building fires 2 years	2 00	
Table and freight on same	2 25	
		30 25
		$5,384 87

Respectfully submitted,

S. HENRY ARCHIBALD,
JOHN D. MILLER,
D. B. STAFFORD,
JOHN R. PRIEST,
ROLLIN C. STAFFORD,
School Directors.

Feb. 1, 1896.

The following list includes most of the supplies and all the books that have been purchased :

176 Milne's Elements of Arithmetic, 110 Milne's Standard Arithmetic, 186 Wentworth's Mental Arithmetic, 90 Beginner's American History, 40 Leading Facts American History, 20 Seven Sisters (supplementary reading) 20 Each and All (supplementary), 56 Primers, 152 First Readers, 120 Second Readers, 103 Third Readers, 117 Fourth Readers, 96 Fifth Readers, 35 Rupert's Geographical Readers (supplementary), 70 Vermont Historical Readers (supplementary), 12 Beacon Lights, 69 American Citizen (Good Behavior), 85 Primer of Health, 75 Healthy Body, 80 Essentials of Health, 40 Music Books, 125 Primary Spellers, 200 Complete Spellers, 20 Appleton's Geography, 135 Barnes' Elementary Geography, 99 Barnes' Complete Geography, 50 Eclectic Physical Geography, 18 Tilden's Grammar School Geography, 2 Drawing Book Manuals, 40 Conant's Vermont, 50 Mowry's Civil Government, 8 Charts, 9 maps New Hampshire and Vermont, 6 maps of United States, 20 dozen spelling blanks, 113 dozen copy books, 12 record books, 10 gallons ink, 86 boxes crayons, 3 gross penholders, 16 gross pens, 10 gross lead pencils, 1,470 pads, 500 monthly report cards, 1 gross blackboard erasers, 100 report books, 23 1-2 dozen metric rulers, 5 lbs. rubber erasers, 10 reams writing paper, book covers and labels.

SCHOOL FUND ACCOUNT.

1895.			Dr.	Cr.
Feb.	14	To cash from last year	$1,940 60	
		To cash from State treasurer, Huntington school fund	66 04	
		To received of A. W. Bolster, lumber	2 00	
		To received of E. R. Allen, brick sold	2 50	
March	1	To received of S. Hemenway, rent of lease land	5 00	
		To balance of tuition, 1894–5	13 67	
		tuition, 1895–6	28 50	
		To cash from treasurer dist. No. 4.	3 99	

March	1	To cash from treasurer dist. No. 5.	$36 67	
		To amount appropriated from town taxes	3,790 71	
June	11	Rent of E. Wallingford S. H. hall.	20 00	
	27	To rec'd from J. E. Edgeton, interest on Ives fund	27 37	
July	9	To received of State treasurer, portion of 5 per cent State S. tax.	409 40	
	22	To interest on Ives fund from Sprague	66 60	
		To received from text books sold	1 70	
Sept.	18	To received of Wm. H. Congdon, rent on Foster lease land, 1893-4	40 00	
		To received interest on above	1 70	
Dec.	21	To received, Wm. H. Congdon, rent of Frank Clark, lease land, 1894	20 00	
1896.				
Jan.	13	To received of J. E. Edgeton, int. on Ives fund	11 92	
Feb.	6	To recd. income U. S. deposit money	209 29	
		By paid out on school directors' orders as shown in their report.		$5,384 87
		By cash to credit to school funds		1,312 79
			$6,697 66	$6,697 66

LIQUOR ACCOUNT.

			Dr.
1895.			
Feb.	1	To amt. of liquors on hand	$344 97
		Invoice of liquors during year	2,137 38
		Cash paid for freight and cartage	33 98
		Agent's salary to Feb'y, 1896	324 92
		Profit on sales	242 70
			$3,083 95

1896.			Cr.
Feb.	5	By inventory of liquors on hand.....	$437 04
		By cash paid town treasurer from sales.....	2,618 23
		By cash in agent's hands	28 68
			$3,083 95

BOUNTY ACCOUNT.

1895.			Dr.	Cr.
May	2	Rec'd from State treasurer.....	$17 20	
		Due from State treasurer at last settlement.....		$15 40
Feb.	20	Paid John Maloney, fox bounty.....		60
March	27	Paid Wm. Lockyear, fox bounty....		60
April	6	Paid John Maloney, fox bounty		60
			$17 20	$17 20
July	16	Paid Aldace Newton one fox bounty.		60
Aug.	28	Paid C. E. Cole one fox bounty.....		60
Oct.	21	Paid H. L. Doty two fox bounties...		1 20
	24	Paid Geo Stafford one fox bounty....		60
Nov.	21	Paid M. Wilder one fox bounty.....		60
Dec.	10	Paid William Dawson one fox bo'nty		60
1896.				
Jan.	20	Paid E. D. Sabin one fox bounty....		60
	25	Paid Charles Sprague one fox bo'nty.		60
May		Due from State treasurer.....	$5 40	
			$5 40	$5 40

DOG LICENSE ACCOUNT.

1895.	Dr.	Cr.
To cash received for licenses for 101 dogs at $1 each..	$101 00	
To received for 6 dogs at $4 each.....	24 00	

To received for 4 dogs at $2 each.....	$8 00	
To received from O. M. Frost, for dog killing sheep.....	9 00	
By cash paid town clerk for registering 111 dogs at 10c each.....		$11 10
By paid for 9 sheep killed.....		24 00
By cash to general fund account.....		106 90
	$142 00	$142 00

S. C. SAUNDERS, TREASURER, AS COLLECTOR OF TAXES, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WALLINGFORD.

To tax bill of 1895.....	$14,685 39	
By amount paid into treasury.....		$13,394 07
By 4 per cent discount.....		558 09
By turned over to C. L. Higgins, collector of taxes.....		733 23
	$14,685 39	$14,685 39

H. D. CONGDON, COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

(C. L. Higgins, Admr.)

1895.			
Feb. 13	To balance of 1893 tax	$77 65	
Feb. 13	To balance of 1894 tax	47 05	
	By paid on tax bill, 1893.....		$77 65
	By amount due town, tax bill 1894		47 05
		$124 70	$124 70

C. L. HIGGINS, COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

1895.			
Feb. 14	To balance 1894 tax bill.....	$339 46	
	Credit by cash.....		$339 46
Sept. 10	To 1895 tax bill.....	733 23	
	To 104 names.....	5 20	
	Credit by cash.....		128 54
	Credit by abatements.....		63 01
	Credit by balance due town.....		546 88
		$738 43	$738 43

S. C. SAUNDERS, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WALLINGFORD.

Feb. 13, 1895.	Dr.
Cash on hand belonging to school fund account.....	$1,940 60
Cash on hand belonging to highway account.....	265 57
Cash on hand received from liquor account.....	2,618 23
To cash received of C. L. Higgins, administrator of H. D. Congdon's estate, collector of taxes, 1893.....	77 65
To cash received of C. L. Higgins on tax bill, 1894....	339 46
To cash received of C. L. Higgins on tax bill, 1895....	191 55
To cash borrowed Killington Nat. bank.....	3,200 00
To cash borrowed B. E. Crapo.....	1,000 00
To amount drawn from Rutland Trust Co.....	2,000 00
To interest on above.....	20 00
To amount drawn from Marble Savings bank.....	1,250 00
To interest on above.....	12 50
To amount drawn from Rutland Savings bank.....	1,250 00
To interest on above.....	12 50
To cash received from Wm. S. Ballou (justice fines)....	22 00
To cash received from A. G. Stone (justice fines).....	4 01
To cash received from O. M. Frost, for sheep killed by his dog.....	9 00
To cash received from Rutland Savings bank.....	900 00

To cash received for taxes paid in	$13,394 07
To cash received for dog licenses	133 00
To cash received of State treasurer (fox bounties)	17 20
To cash received, as shown by road commissioner's acc't	2,774 51
To cash received, as shown by school fund acc't	4,757 06
To deficit in general account, 1896	1,323 56

	Cr.	
By deficit in general acc't, 1895	$1,233 34	
By cash paid out on school directors' orders	5,384 87	
By cash in treasury belonging to school fund acc't	1,312 79	
By cash paid out on road com.'s orders	2,740 64	
By cash in treas. belonging to highway acc't	299 44	
By cash paid out for liquors, agent's fees, freight and cartage	2,496 28	
By cash deposited in Rutland Trust Co	2,000 00	
By cash deposited in Marble Savings bank	1,250 00	
By cash deposited in Rutland Savings bank	1,250 00	
By cash paid out on bonded indebtedness	4,124 00	
By cash paid out on orders of selectmen, as shown in their account	8,390 44	
By cash paid out on account of overseer of poor account	872 07	
By cash transferred to school fund acc't	3,790 71	
By cash transferred to highway acc't	2,349 59	
By cash paid for town clerk fees for licensing dogs	11 10	
By cash for bounties	7 20	
	$37,512 47	$37,512 47

The bonded indebtedness of the town is as follows:

5 per cent bonds	$22,700 00
7 per cent bonds	2,200 00
	$24,900 00

The liabilities for the ensuing year are estimated as follows:

Interest on town bonds	$1,289 00
Bonds due Jan. 1, 1897	2,800 00
State school tax, 5 per cent on grand list of 1895	587 40
State highway tax, 5 per cent on grand list of 1895	587 40
Interest on United States deposit money	209 29
Expenses of poor	1,000 00
Town officers, etc	310 00
Money for bridges and sluices	600 00
County tax, June 1st, 1896	58 74
Estimated for schools	3,300 00
State tax	469 92
Deficit in general account	1,323 56
Outstanding order, borrowed money	900 00
	$13,435 31
Balance of uncollected taxes	593 93
To be provided for	$12,841 38

There is also a 20 per cent tax for highways. There is also claimed from the town by the State, for excess of liquor sales, prior to Feb. 1st, 1895, $383.97. To meet the estimated liabilities of the town the selectmen and auditors recommend a tax of one hundred and thirty (130) cents on the dollar.

CHARLES P. GOSS,
F. O. STAFFORD, } Auditors.

Wallingford, Vt., Feb. 10, 1896.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

As required by law, every school has been visited at least once each term. The suggestions made and the criticisms that may have been given in any instance do not properly here find a repetition. But this much may be said, that there is a stimulus to teachers and scholars in expecting visitation, and if all those interested in schools would occasionally look in upon the several schools nearest them, take note of the methods pursued, the progress

made, the interest shown, it would be a matter of interest to those so doing and a helpful matter in the working out of the problem of improvement in the common schools of the town.

Some parents make a mistake in urging or suggesting that their children be advanced faster in their studies. Some seem to think that if only the child is in a larger book, he or she is surely getting on well, while as a matter of fact the old proverb "make haste slowly" here finds abundant room for application. To know thoroughly the smaller books, which treat in a more elementary manner of the prescribed studies is absolutely essential to any proper appreciation or profitable study of the more advanced books.

There is a decided improvement in the schools of the town in the way of greater efficiency, in that the pupils are as a whole taking greater interest and are more intelligently directed in their studies. There is also a marked improvement in the general discipline of the schools. Teachers are employed in the same schools for a longer consecutive time and this results in a better adaptation of teachers and scholars each to the other. There are some neighborhoods also in which a more general support of the teachers by the parents has been secured. If one never has observed it he would be surprised to note how much the prosperity and success of the school is affected by the opinions expressed at home and in general conversation. If there were a more general visiting of the schools by the parents as above suggested, it would have a most decided influence for good.

In the use and care of books and supplies furnished by the town there has been more of care than was generally expected. The direction was given to all teachers that no supplies should be taken from the school house and text-books only on permission of the teacher in charge. A great part of the labor involved in the care of what the town furnishes devolves upon the teacher, and if her efforts are seconded by the parents it will result in a general saving. The testimony of the teacher who has had more experience than any other at present employed in the town, as given to the directors, is that the books and supplies are far better taken care of than formerly, when each pupil furnished his own. And the expense in this line should be a small one for the years immediately following. A good school will be a careful school as regards the general tone and actions of the pupils, and that teacher

makes at best but a partial success who does not inculcate the duty of obligation to care for public things as though they were personal belongings.

There has been a quite general expression from those neighborhoods where but thirty weeks of school have been maintained that there should be an increase in the number of weeks a school is maintained. And it is highly probable that it will be found possible to comply with that request. At first it was the impression, and it is in large measure true, that owing to the difficulties encountered in small children traveling in those communities during some parts of the year, it was impossible to have schools in session for the same length of time as others more favorably situated. By changing the times of the sessions of the schools somewhat it is believed that an average of at least three weeks more can be given to those schools, making thirty-three weeks in each of four schools which now have but thirty. This will be a better equalization of the opportunities for instruction enjoyed by the pupils of the town, and be a better compliance with the spirit and letter of the law.

The State law at the present time has provisions looking to the establishment of a course of study in the common schools which shall make the requirements and attainments in the several schools more nearely uniform. This would result in securing somewhat of the advantages of a graded school for all pupils. To so bring it to pass will require a hearty co-operation and appreciation of the advantages thereof on the part of parents and scholars. One thing it will necessitate, a more regular attendance on the part of those who now are irregular and fitful in school attendance. While through the enforcement of the truant law, in some measure, irregularity of attendance has been in part remedied, it has by no manner of means all been done away with ; and it is a fact patent to any who will investigate that there is a far larger unnecessary absence from the schools on the part of those who specially need every opportunity of the school room, because the parents are in many instances unable to provide the child with the further opportunities of schools at a distance, than of those who might reasonably be counted likely to carry educational attainments beyond what the common school furnishes. And while the heavier taxpayers are obliged to contribute to the maintenance of schools, it is surely

asking the least that can be thought of that those who have children and have taxes smaller in amount, shall see to it that their children are in the schools provided by the town. The common schools are the glory of our land, and every child here has the opportunity to obtain the essentials of an education for any walk in life, and if desirous of prosecuting further studies here has the opportunity of laying the foundation of all that is higher. Let us prize and improve this institution, and make it all it should be.

Respectfully submitted,

S. HENRY ARCHIBALD,

Superintendent.

Wallingford, Vt., Feb. 12, 1896.

NOTICE.

The inhabitants of the town of Wallingford, who are legal voters in town meeting, are hereby warned to meet at the town house in Wallingford, on Tuesday, the 3d day of March, 1896, at ten (10) o'clock A. M., to transact the following business, viz.:

1. To hear the several reports to be submitted.

2. To see if the town will vote to pay the town officers a salary, and if so, how much?

3. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

4. To see if the town will vote an appropriation, and how much, for the maintenance, care and increase of the Gilbert Hart Library.

5. To vote to raise money by tax or otherwise for the necessary expenses of the town for the year ensuing, also to pay the interest on the town bonds due July 1st, 1896, and Jan. 1st, 1897, and bonds coming due Jan. 1st, 1897.

6. To vote if the taxes shall be paid to the treasurer as provided by statute, or vote directions to the collector to deduct a per cent, and to fix such per cent to be deducted if the taxes are paid by a certain time to be fixed by said meeting, or vote some other method for the collection of taxes.

7. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of the will of the late Alonzo Kent.

8. To see if the town will vote to lay out a portion, and if so, to fix what portion, of the highway tax, in repairing sidewalks.

9. To transact any other business proper when met.

B. W. ALDRICH,
C. O. ALLEN,
W. R. SPAULDING, } Selectmen.

Wallingford, Vt., Feb. 5th, 1896.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Board of Officers

OF THE

Town of Wallingford

VERMONT,

For the Year Ending Feb. 15th,

1897.

RUTLAND:
THE TUTTLE COMPANY, JOB PRINTERS,
1897.

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AUDITORS' REPORT.

TOWN FARM INVENTORY, 1896-97.

17 tons hay	$136 00
13 cows	390 00
2 two-year-olds	30 00
2 shoats	14 00
26 hens	10 40
2 harnesses and shackles	30 00
63 cords stove wood, 14 cords 3-foot wood	92 00
1 mowing machine	20 00
3 ox yokes and muzzle	6 00
275 tin buckets, 25 wood	23 00
1 heater, 2 pans (new), kettle, and 5 storage tubs	25 00
1 two-horse wagon, 2 buckboards, and 1 one-horse wagon	20 00
1 harrow, plow, shovel plow	23 00
1 ox cart, cultivators, 4 chains	12 00
500 lbs. feed, $3.75; 25 bus. barley, $8.75	12 50
40 bushels ears of corn	7 00
3 hay and two manure forks, 3 axes	3 00
3 shovels, 4 saws, 1 bar, 1 hammer	3 50
2 grindstones, 1 ladder, 41 syrup cans	8 00
1 horse rake, $12; 2 sleds, $6; 4 hand rakes, $1	19 00
1 sausage cutter, 1 sledge, 2 wedges, and swivel	2 00
3 hoes, 4 bags, 2 brooms, 35 milk pans, 4 pails, 5 milk cans	14 00
2 lanterns, 1 bit stock, 4 bits	1 50
8 feather beds, 7 straw ticks, 17 pillows, 24 bed quilts, 36 sheets, 36 pillow cases, 18 towels, 2 table spreads, 8 bedsteads, 5 chambers, 4 lamps, 3 wash tubs, 2 mattresses	80 00
4 tables, 2 stands, 8 chairs, 12 trunks	4 00

3 stoves, 1 brass kettle, 2 spiders, 3 flatirons, 3 dinner pots	$15 00
3,000 shingles, 1 reel of wire	7 50
1 lot of crockery	20 00
1 sugar pan, 1 force pump, 1 steel square	3 00
100 bush. potatoes, $25; 12 bush. turnips and carrots, $3; cabbage, $1.50	29 50
150 lbs. corned beef	7 50
175 lbs. hams and shoulders	14 00
1 bbl. pork, $12; ½ bbl. pickles, $4	16 00
1½ bushels beans, $2; 1 bbl. vinegar, $4.50	6 50
2 bbls. apples, $2.50; barrels, soap, and grease, $5	7 50
Washing machine, churn, and butter worker	10 00
33 lbs. of butter, $5.38; 42 lbs. lard, $3.36	8 74
1 bbl. flour, $5; tallow and candles, .65	5 65
Dried beef, $2.88; beef, $2.60	5 48
Sausage, meal, and crackers	2 75
Sugar, 1 gal. kerosene, tea, coffee	3 70
Small tinware	1 50
	$1,150 22

E. STEWART'S ACCOUNT AS OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

EXPENDITURES.

Wm. O'Brien, money and goods had in fall of 1895			$6 20
1896.			
Feb.	8	Daniel Pelsue, goods to W. R. Spaulding	89
	10	Chas. Duclaw, goods to W. R. Spaulding	1 33
	11	Ed. Haley, drawing wood for Grover	5 80
	15	Joseph Edgerton, hay for J. F. Hart	7 20
		Nancy Buffum, to goods	2 00
	18	C. Fisk, to goods to W. R. Spaulding	2 00
	24	Daniel Pelsue, goods to W. R. Spaulding	1 26
		Nancy Buffum, goods to W. R. Spaulding	2 00
		Hopkins, grinding grain	85

Feb.	25	W. D. Shepard, on board and care of Willard Shepard	$20 00
		Rol Flanders, two shoats for farm	6 84
March	5	L. Grover, goods to W. R. Spaulding	2 00
		C. Fisk, goods to W. R. Spaulding	2 05
	9	James Haley, rent for Grover till April 1, 1897	40 00
	10	Wm. O'Brien, goods to W. R. Spaulding	2 82
	11	Probate fees and expense putting out Buffum child	9 85
	12	N. Dawley, tea and tobacco for farm	2 00
	13	W. O'Brien, to goods	1 00
	19	G. H. Grimm & Co., sap pans and freight	16 75
		E. S. Wilson, sugar fixtures	6 50
	21	Wm. O'Brien, goods to W. R. Spaulding	7 35
		D. Pelsue, goods to W. R. Spaulding	2 28
		Mrs. Burbank, to goods	75
	23	D. Pelsue, rubber boots to W. R. Spaulding	2 70
	24	City of Rutland, care, and expense of taking Matthew McGuirk Jr., to Brattleboro	11 50
	27	Hopkins, corn, and grinding	5 50
	28	Wm. O'Brien, goods to W. R. Spaulding	2 03
		Mrs. Burbank, goods to Priest	49
		W. R. Spaulding, goods for Buffum child	1 25
	30	N. Dawley, goods for farm	1 44
		Expense, guardian over D. Pelsue	7 20
April	8	Paid board Matthew McGuirk Jr., to Brattleboro	16 57
	16	N. Dawley, goods to farm	1 80
		H. Patch, to cash on salary	27 50
	22	H. Doty, 8 days, sugaring on farm	6 00
		Mrs. Burbank, goods to W. R. Spaulding	2 78
	23	Mrs. Burbank, goods to N. Dawley's	3 11
	27	E. S. Wilson, goods for farm	6 44
	28	Wm. Armstrong, 1 cow for farm	30 00
	29	Mrs. Burbank, to goods	3 55
May	2	Wm. O'Brien, goods to W. R. Spaulding	2 48
	12	W. R. Spaulding on goods for farm	50 00
	19	Geo. Wilder, 1 cow for Grover	15 00

May	23	Mrs. Duran York, to goods	$2 50
	26	W. D. Shepard, on board W. Shepard	25 00
		Paid D. Pelsue for work on town farm	4 50
	28	M. Rounds, 1½ day's work on farm	1 12
June	1	Meal and corn for Grover	1 30
	3	Duffecy, to goods	1 00
		D. Moloney, use of hog	1 00
	9	H. Patch, on salary	25 00
		C. A. Claghorn, goods for Grover	3 74
		C. A. Claghorn, goods for Chas. Wade	1 45
	16	Expense of Fisk case	11 07
	26	Grover, to goods	3 00
July	3	Expense Stone boy	2 00
	4	C. S. Caverly, examination of Matthew McGuirk Jr	5 00
	8	John Patch, on board, White child	10 00
	13	Mrs. F. Caswell, to goods	3 26
	22	Ed Haley, spring work for Grove.r	6 80
	23	Hewitt, beef for farm	85
		W. Pierce, on meal bill for farm	49 25
	28	Bull rake for farm	65
	30	High chair for farm	50
		Beef for farm	1 78
Aug.	6	S. A. Eddy, 11 days haying on farm	16 50
		John Patch, balance on board, White child till March 1, 1897	15 00
	10	Mrs. Caswell, goods to W. R. Spaulding	1 80
	14	Byron Aldrich, 2 cows for farm	50 00
	18	Clothes for Geo. Rogers	9 26
	24	W. D. Shepard, on board W. Shepard	25 00
	28	J. R. Priest, shoes for Buffum child	1 00
	31	Paid W. R. Spaulding on goods for farm	60 00
Sept.	1	H. Patch, on salary	25 00
	5	Insurance on buildings	7 20
Oct.	8	Geo. Spooner, on bill	15 00
	9	H. Patch on salary	25 00
	11	H. Johnson for apples	4 25
	15	Grover, to goods	1 00
	28	W. R. Spaulding, goods for Buffum child	2 27

Oct.	28	E. S. Wilson, phosphate for farm.....	$15 50
Nov.	3	W. D. Shepard, on board bill of Shepard ..	20 00
		Geo. Rogers, to goods.....	4 75
		E. Kent, 1 bull for farm	10 00
		C. A. Hawkins, taking off cows' horns.....	1 00
	13	Bran for Grover	1 40
	17	D. C. Allard, beef bill for farm.....	6 94
	24	F. Gorton, timber for Grover.....	4 00
	28	Nancy Caswell, goods to W. R. Spaulding.	2 37
		One heifer for farm	12 50
		H. Doty, butter for farm	5 52
	30	C. D. Childs, hay for Grover, last spring ..	6 00
Dec.	1	H. Sprague, threshing on farm.....	4 76
	16	H. Patch, on salary	25 00
	17	Henry Elmer, to goods	4 00
	23	Bert Patch, 3 days' work on farm, chopping.	2 25
		Carrie Wyman, to goods	2 00
1897.			
Jan.	5	Expense Buffum child, 52 weeks' board, March 1, 1897.....	26 00
	7	W. D. Shepard, balance on board W. Shepard till Dec. 22, 1896.....	14 00
		W. R. Spaulding on goods for farm	50 00
		C. Fisk, goods to W. R. Spaulding.....	1 55
		W. Pierce, meal bill for farm.....	22 00
	9	Kent & Bryant, goods for farm.....	31 45
	12	E. S. Wilson, tinware	1 80
	14	S. C. Saunders, medicine for poor.....	2 60
		R. Archer, wood for Mrs. Anson Eddy....	9 00
	15	Ed Haley, drawing wood this winter for Grover	5 00
	16	Isaac Stiles, 4 weeks, Carrie Wyman.....	6 00
		Goods for Willis family.....	5 00
	25	Expense of tramps.....	9 25
		W. R. Spaulding, balance on goods.....	22 88
		Frank Rogers, to goods.....	2 40
	26	Hopkins, to grinding grain this winter.....	3 60
		Geo. Spooner, balance on bill..... ...	6 85
		A. A. Graves, filing saws	70

Jan.	27	C. A. Claghorn, goods for Mrs. Haley	$2 34
	28	Frank Rogers, goods to W. R. Spaulding ..	2 75
		J. R. Priest, goods for farm	11 90
		S. D. Hazen for doctoring poor, S. Fisk family	11 56
		S. D. Hazen, for doctoring Dufsey, on town farm	2 75
		S. D. Hazen, for doctoring Azro Pierce ...	5 50
		S. D. Hazen, for doctoring Frank Caswell..	1 25
Feb.	1	Paid I. Stiles for board and care of Carrie Wyman up to Feb. 15, 1897	6 00
		To Board of Nancy Buffum	16 00
		Balance on H. Patch's salary	122 50
	2	Mrs. S. Willis, to wood and goods.....	7 00
	9	Paid C. O. Allen, for transient poor	1 50
		Paid W. H. H. Sabin, costs in Wyman	4 16
		Elias Stewart, services as overseer.....	35 60
		Total.....	$1,344 93

RECEIPTS.

Produce Sold from Farm, Feb. 1, 1896, *to Feb.* 1, 1897.

From factory for milk	316 63
Maple syrup sold.....	38 37
Calves sold.....	48 58
Potatoes sold	5 25
Barley sold	4 00
Hogs sold.....	46 75
Two fat cows sold.....	40 00
One horse sold	35 00
Geo. Rogers, work for S. Pelka.....	4 75
One bull sold	10 00
Small spruces sold	2 42
One cow hide sold.....	2 32
Eggs sold	4 08
Butter sold	3 20
	$561 35
Orders drawn on treasurer	783 58
	$1,344 93

E. STEWART'S BILL AS OVERSEER.

Mr. E. Stewart's time spent to look after the poor from Feb. 1, 1896, to Feb. 1, 1897.

Mar.	10	One day to Rutland to buy sugar fixtures...	$1 50
		Car fare for the same.....	65
	24	One day to Rutland to settle with overseer the expense of Mathew McGuirk, Jr....	1 50
		Car fare for the same.....	65
	25	One day to Wallingford to look after the Eddy child.....	1 50
April	17	One day to look after the Grover family....	1 50
	23	One-half day to look after Mrs. Burbank...	75
	27	One-half day to farm.	75
	28	One-half day to buy cow for Grover.....	75
May	15	One-half day to farm.....	75
June	6	One-half day to Fisk to look after girl.. ..	75
	11	One day to So. Wallingford to look after Hart girl...	1 50
	16	One day on Fisk girl case.....	1 50
	23	One-half day looking after W. H. Lord's family.....	75
	27	One-half day to farm.....	75
July	3	One day at Rutland to get Stone boy.....	1 50
		Car fare for the same.....	65
	8	One day to Hartsborough to look after Mrs. Caswell.....	1 50
	16	One-half day to farm	75
Aug.	14	One-half day to buy cows for farm.....	75
	27	One-half day to sell fat cows	75
Nov.	6	One-half day to farm.....	75
Dec.	21	One day to So. Wallingford to look after Carrie Wyman.....	1 50
1897			
Jan.	2	One day to Rutland to look after poor.....	1 50
		Car fare for the same.....	65
	9	One-half day to farm	75
	14	One day to Wallingford to look after poor..	1 50

Jan.	16	One day to Wallingford on Wyman case...	$1 50
	27	One day to Hartsborough to look after Mrs. Haley.....	1 50
	28	One day spent settling poor bills	1 50
Feb.	5	One day at farm with auditors.....	1 50
		One day to Wallingford with auditors.....	1 50
			$35 60

E. J. CHILSON, ROAD COMMISSIONER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WALLINGFORD.

Oscar Eddy, labor.....	$67 63
Jack Sweney labor.....	45 20
Frank Sweney, labor.....	28 35
Patsy Maloney.....	7 76
Charles Howe.....	156 03
Wm. Dawson.....	71 99
Edward Haley...	6 45
Wm, O'Brien.....	10 80
Clinton Brown.....	2 50
Edd. Maranville.....	11 17
Hiram Sprague.....	10 47
Felix Rando.....	2 13
Charles Lorette.....	1 00
Sam Pelky.....	1 00
Alva Wilder.....	17 76
Albert Wilder.....	1 25
Freight on tile, road machine fixtures and scraper.....	12 57
Millard Cooke.....	8 13
Fremont Winship.....	1 75
Charles Wade.....	25
Geo. W. Kelley.....	2 40
Aden Lewis, use of harrow.....	50
Herbert Graves.....	4 50
Erwin Cummins.....	3 13
Tom Pesha.....	22 32
Edson Valentine...	19 00

Martin Sawtelle	$3 25
Howard & Brown, pulleys	6 25
Baxter Wilder	49 95
F. P. Edgeton, repairing road machine	5 00
F. F. McDonald, tile	63 50
F. F. McDonald, chain	4 80
F. F. McDonald, tile	6 00
Climax Road Machine Co., wheel scraper and fixtures for road machine	50 03
W. R. Spaulding	30 80
Frank Ducher	1 50
D. D. Tarbell, dynamite	71 70
John Shomb	77 06
C. M. Nichols, blacksmith bill	5 20
Orvis McKnight,	9 23
Byron Leonard	2 35
John Congdon	5 25
Noble Sprague, water trough, 1894 to 1897	2 00
H. F. Hager	5 75
Charles Maranville, for logs	2 10
Harry Dawson	63
Chas. Hagar	24 04
Alber Murray	3 72
W. P. Carey & Co., spike	35
Joel Nichols, bolts	15
F. L. Bragg, painting guide board	14 55
Jos. Edgerton	1 50
Chas. Winn	6 12
Quince Adams, lumber,	6 14
F. R. Fuller, plank	7 56
Geo. Smith	3 13
Alvin Waters	12 25
Alan Edgerton	1 75
F. L. Bragg	1 00
Bert Patch	1 25
Jos. Jerry	3 00
Chris Hawkins	4 00
Dan Mulqueen	1 75
Homer Waldo, work and gravel	22 00

W. R. Spaulding, wire and nails	$1 73
C. Stapleton	1 00
Patrick Stapleton	2 50
James Derrick	3 75
Chas. Congdon	12 00
P. W. Clark, water trough, $2; work, $9	11 00
Frank Green	5 32
C. D. Childs	4 50
R. Lucas	3 44
Geo. Miner	1 87
Mike Riley	1 50
Betsey Congdon, damage to land—5 years' winter road.	20 00
E. C. Kent, plank, $1.05; work, $1.80	2 85
Bert Bixby	1 25
C. J. Waters, work, 1895	2 63
Stafford & Vail, work, 1895	5 82
J. C. Patch	10 88
Corwin Graves, work, 1895	3 00
F. C. Stewart	3 60
G. A. Spooner, blacksmith bill	10 00
E. H. & B. W. Aldrich, 3 men and 3 teams, $10.50 per day, 32 days	336 00
E. H. & B. W. Aldrich, 2 men and 2 teams, $7 per day, 2 days	14 00
E. H. & B. W. Aldrich, 1 man and 1 team, $3.50 per day, 10¼ days	35 87
E. H. & B. W. Aldrich, plank, and work on mountain road	46 50
Geo. Winship	3 00
Ed Armstrong	9 61
Thos. Bowen	2 00
James Woods, 1895 and 1896	15 63
Wm. Coleman, damage to land and house	3 00
Wm. Rogers	2 50
R. E. Stewart	24 90
Ernest Headle, logs	6 00
Jas. McGuirk, blacksmith bill	3 47
E. J. Chilson, 40¼ days' work, $2 50	100 62

E. J. Chilson, 73 days work, $2		$146 00
E. J. Chilson, man and team 117 days		409 50
Dick Murphey		12 15
Geo. Stevens		2 70
E. L. Pratt		4 05
Rol. Maranville		75
Jos. Greeno for bolts		25
Frank Miller for gravel		3 15
Seward Ainsworth, gravel		3 10
Batcheller & Co., forks		3 00
John Pocket		2 50
John O'Brien, blacksmithing		7 25
Total		$2,338 79
To cash on hand, 1896	$299 44	
To cash from State treas , 71 miles	420 32	
To 20 per cent from State treas., portion of highway tax	2,317 26	
Balance remaining in highway acct		698 23
	$3,037 02	$3,037 02

SELECTMEN'S ORDERS.

Feb.	15	By deficit in general acct	$1,323 56
	17	W. S. Ballou, justice costs and Murray fine	4 50
May	19	C. O. Allen, work	1 95
		The Tuttle Co., tax book and blank B. for leased land	1 96
	12	Fay B. Stafford, recording 67 births and deaths at 5 cts., and copying births, deaths, and marriages	16 46
		The Tuttle Co., printing town reports	34 00
June	1	H. F. Field, State school tax	587 40
		H. F. Field, State highway tax	587 40
		H. F. Field, county tax	58 74
		H. F. Field, State tax	469 92

June	20	Ora L. Fuller, making out tax bill	$6 00
		J. C. Baker, legal services, " Kent will ".	4 00
July	14	The Tuttle Co., six hundred tax receipts, $1.80 ; Selectmen's order book, $1.50.	3 30
		W. H. H. Sabin, fees, John Rogers' suit.	1 81
		Joseph Randall, fees as justice.....	1 50
		F. H. Hoadley, fees as presiding officer..	1 50
		Waterman, Martin & Hitt, attys. in test case tried in supreme court by town of Brattleboro	10 00
Sept.	1	Rutland S. Bank, borrowed money at 5 per cent...	900 00
		Rutland S. Bank, interest	25 75
		Rutland S. Bank, borrowed money at 5 per cent..	900 00
		Rutland S. Bank, interest.....	21 50
		Rutland S. Bank, borrowed money at 5 per cent..	2,500 00
		Rutland S. Bank, interest.....	31 25
		Rutland S. Bank, borrowed money at 5 per cent.....	500 00
		Rutland S. Bank, interest	5 00
		Rutland S. Bank, borrowed money at 5 per cent	700 00
		Rutland S. Bank, interest..	5 83
		Fay B. Stafford, recording 3,052 words..	3 05
		E. I. Kilburn, 4 days and 4 hours labor on R. Marsh bridge, 2½ with horse.....	12 02
	3	E. M. Crary, work on bridges, Potter bridge 4 days building abutments, four stringers and drawing plank.....	11 31
		W. R. Spaulding, fill in bill No. 2.. ..	730 71
	4	Lucretia M. Stone, interest on Kent fund, July 1st, 1896.....	79 73
	5	H. Pelsue, land damage.....	5 00
	10	A. Q. Adams, man and horse 60 cents, 652 feet plank $6.52, work on bridge $1.20, spruce scant. $4.71, 1,263 feet spruce and hemlock plank $15.51.....	28 54

Sept.	10	W. H. H. Sabin, tax book $1.40, s screws and pencils 40 cents.....	$1 80
		The Tuttle Co., printing check list for September election.....	9 00
	30	The Tuttle Co., printing ballots for September election.....	20 75
Oct.	3	Geo. E. Pelton, printing 25 tax notices and 500 postal cards..... .	7 50
	6	Wm. Coleman, self and three men opening winter road.....	4 00
Nov.	7	Winifred Saunders, 3 per cent of grand list for library.....	347 59
Dec.	4	Clara Stafford, to recording 1,700 words and 2 days services, Sept. 1 and Nov. 3	5 95
		James J. Fay, making general index ...	16 00
Jan.		A. G. Stone, justice, "Johnson suit"...	14 85
		G. G. Marshall, fees as health officer....	13 75
	2	L. M. Stone, interest on Kent fund, Jan. 1st, 1897.....	60 00
	9	C. O. Allen, 390 feet lumber $3.90, work 75 cents, spike 8 cents, paid Chas. Howe repairing bridges $4.55..... .	9 28
Feb.	9	C. O. Allen, paid Byron Leonard drawing plank 25 cents, W. P. Carey & Co. nails and spike $1.17	1 42
		E. H. & B. W. Aldrich, lumber.....	86 72
		Frank Miller, one sheep killed.....	3 00
		W. H. H. Sabin, abatement of taxes... .	59 90
		C. L. Higgins, abatement of taxes	24 55
		Clara B. Stafford, ex. on index book 25c, recording births and deaths, copying same, $4.24.....	4 49
		Helen M. Hawkins, error tax 1896.	8 82
		Wm. H. Congdon, error tax 1896.....	1 20
		To trustees of U. S. deposit money.....	209 29
			$10,483 55

TOWN OF WALLINGFORD IN ACCOUNT WITH W. R. SPAULDING, MAR. 8, '96, TO FEB. 9, '97.

BILL NO. 2.

Mar.	8	C. Graves, drawing plank	$3 00
	17	E. J. Headle, work	1 00
		E. J. Headle, nails	20
April	6	Judge Probate, hearing M. McGuirk case	5 50
	21	Work, W. R. S. 75c, J. Wardwell 63c	1 38
		Work, E. J. Headle	75
May	1	D. Perkins, plank	3 64
	13	Work, Jery bridge	1 35
	21	W. R. S. 45 cents, E. J. Headle 60 cents	1 05
	27	W. R S. $1.50, J. Wardwell $2, E. S. Wilson 40 cents, nails 40 cents	4 30
June	3	S. Sherman $1.25, Wardwell $2, W. R. S. $1.50	4 75
		A. Senicle, stringers	1 16
	15	J. Wardwell $1.75, R. Stewart $2.50	4 25
		W. R. S. $1.50, S. Sherman $1.25, H. Doty $1.25	4 00
		Nails 40 cents, boards $1	1 40
July	2	H. Doty $1.25, S. Sherman $1.25, oil 10c	2 60
	6	Fred Goodell	75
		W. R. S. $16.97, plank	18 66
Aug.	5	Nails $1.41, H. Doty $1, S. Sherman $2.34	4 75
		J. Wardwell $2.40, saw handle 13c, A. Graves 35c	2 88
	10	J. Wardwell	1 00
	21	W. Cotter, plank	12 00
		Nails	36
	31	Lead 69c, oil 40c, shellac 20c	1 29
Sept.	4	E. S. Wilson, iron	21 72
		J. E. Fletcher, plank	100 00
		Oil $1.20, paint 28c, paint $3.60	5 08
	12	W. R. S. 50c, S. Sherman 75c, F. Streeter 50c, boards 25c	2 00
		Lead	72

Oct.	8	E. Armstrong	$4 75
		Oil 80c., paint 8c	88
Nov.	23	G. A. Spooner	3 90
	12	W. A. Cotter	11 72
Dec.	4	W. Rogers	6 75
Jan.	28	M. Tarbell, plank	33 84
		J. C. Patch, stringers	
Aug.	5	W. R. S	45
Jan.	28	Chas. Hager, plank	58
	1	Rufus Works, damage to land and fence	1 00
	11	E. S. Wilson, work	1 00
		S. Premo, land damage	5 00
		Berlin Bridge Co	450 00
			$731 41

Cr.

Plank sold	$ 23
Received from treasurer	75 00
Received from treasurer	150 00
Plank	27
Paint	20
Received from treasurer	450 00
Received from treasurer, Feb. 8, 1897	55 71
	$731 41

TO PAY TOWN OFFICERS.

B. W. Aldrich, services as selectman, 13½ days, $1.50	$20 25
C. O. Allen, 11 days, 6 hours services, $17.38. Cr. for old plank from J. H. Mandigo, 50c	16 88
W. R. Spaulding, selectman, 8 1-6 days	12 25
H. Hopkins, lister, 27 days, stationery 82c	41 32
Cornelius Hall., lister, 27 days	40 50
J. R. Priest, lister, 25 days	37 50
Clara B. Stafford, salary as town clerk	25 00

S. C. Saunders, salary as treas. and 106 names	$137 19
C. P. Goss, 8⅓ days, auditor	12 50
W. H. H. Sabin, presiding officer..... ..	4 00
	$347 39
Amount selectmen's orders.....	$9,507 38

INVENTORY OF TOOLS, TILE, ETC., BELONGING TO THE HIGHWAY, ON HAND THE 9th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1897.

One Climax road machine, one wheel scraper, one road plow, two small scrapers, eight shovels, two iron bars, four stone forks, thirty feet of chain, tackle blocks and rope, two drills, one drill hammer, one bog hoe, two picks, 110 feet of ten inch tile, 20 feet of eight inch tile, one harrow, three iron rakes. There is also belonging to the town two wrenches, and new plank to the value of $24.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR 1896–97.

To the People of Wallingford :

In organizing the board of School Directors, choice was made of John R. Priest, chairman ; Rollin C. Stafford, clerk. John S. Tupper was chosen superintendent.

Expenses have been chiefly for teachers ; supplies forming a small part. In the selection of text-books last year, it was difficult to select the right number for the different grades, therefore we found it necessary to procure some books for smaller grades, but only a few books have been bought.

No extensive repairs have been made, and expenses in that line will be small for the coming year.

The same number of schools have been maintained as heretofore under the town system. Two weeks were added to each

of the following schools for the year: Sweetland, Centerville, Sprague, and West Hill. Generally speaking, the attendance has been good. We earnestly request parents and others interested in schools to visit them often, become acquainted with the teachers, and the rules and methods in use. They will get a better understanding of the intentions of the present school law, whether it be right or wrong, and they will find less cause for complaint. And above all else, see that your children attend school as regularly as possible.

One director is to be chosen at the March meeting, and it is hoped that all realize the importance of a wise selection.

The following table will show schools taught, number of weeks of each school for the year, and number of scholars for each term, also year:

Schools.	No. weeks school for year.	No. in attendance 1st term.	No. in attendance 2d term.	No. in attendance 3d term.	No. enrolled during year.
Aldrichville	28	12	20		20
West Hill	32	11	13	14	15
Sprague	32	13	11	11	15
Centerville	32	16	14	14	19
Sweetland	32	21	21	21	24
South Wallingford	36	28	34	35	35
East Wallingford	34	13	20	23	23
Wallingford High School	36	25	24	25	30
" Grammar School	36	22	24	26	25
" Intermediate School	36	25	36	38	26
" Primary School	36	63	47	44	71

The total expense of the schools for 1895–96 was $5,438.38, from which deduct tuitions and rent, $68.99, leaving the net cost for the year, $5,369.39.

Orders drawn to the present time for the current year amount to	$3,841 94	
Orders to be drawn, estimated	775 00	
Making the total cost		$4,616 94

From this deduct tuitions, $20.50; books sold, $3.70; wood to H. Denno, $1.80; Marsh school house, $5.00; paper sold, .85, and tuitions and rent due, $30.00, leaving $4,555.09, net cost.

Orders as shown below have been drawn to close the third year under the town system.

The following orders have been drawn by the school directors, to close year 1895–96:

J. H. Mandigo, fixing three clocks in village school house	$1 50
Ursula L. Fuller, teaching 12 weeks, winter term, at East Wallingford	96 00
F. O. Stafford, for merchandise	1 76
Bertha A. Whitney, for teaching nine weeks, winter term	81 00
E. Maud Comstock, for teaching nine weeks, winter term	72 00
Mattie E Blanchard, for teaching nine weeks, winter term	85 50
E. B. Gray, for teaching nine weeks, winter term, high school	200 00
S. G. Hawkins, for janitor work, winter term, in village school	18 00
R. C. Stafford, for bill rendered	33 63
Delia G. Meldon, for teaching winter term, 13 weeks, at South Wallingford	123 50
Orders drawn to close 3d year, town system	712 98

Whole amount received for school purposes, including balance in treasury last year, $5,447.71.

Orders as shown below have been drawn for the fourth year under town system to date—Feb. 11, 1897:

E. B. Gray, part pay for spring term	100 00
E. Maud Comstock for teaching spring term, 12 weeks	96 00
Edmund Cummings, putting in wood	6 00
E. B. Gray, teaching part spring term	166 66
Mattie E. Blanchard, teaching spring term, 12 weeks	124 00

Bertha A. Whitney, for teaching spring term, 12 weeks				$108 00
E. R. Allen, for insurance				27 00
Ernest Hopkins, for janitor work, village school, spring term				24 00
Delia M. Crowley, for teaching ten weeks, Hawkins school				70 00
Carrie Edgerton, for teaching spring term, 10 weeks, West Hill				60 00
Mary E. Darcy, for teaching spring term, 11 weeks, Centerville				71 50
Margaret Clowry, for teaching spring term, 11 weeks, E. Wallingford				82 50
Julia E. Carney, for teaching spring term 11 weeks, S. Wallingford				82 50
Orra Greene, for teaching spring term, 10 weeks, Sprague school				60 00
Mary L Belden, for teaching spring term, 14 weeks, Aldrichville				84 00
David Sheldon, for boarding Maud Hall				10 00
The Tuttle Company, for supplies				25 23
E. R. Allen, for insurance				50 00
R. C. Stafford, cash paid for supplies, etc.:				
April	11	To paid	H. Graves, cleaning S. H. (S. W.)	2 50
	18	"	H. Graves, cleaning S. H. (West Hill)	1 50
	22	"	for water pail (Aldrichville)	25
		"	for water cups, (2) 10c each	20
		"	for chair for Aldrichville	1 50
May	22	"	for 1 water cup	10
Sept.	1	"	John Congdon for 2 days' grading	6 00
		"	Henry Huntington, for work	2 88
		"	Joseph Murray (plastering)	2 93
	4	"	freight on supplies	25
		"	Cartage on supplies	10
		"	for water pail (So. Wallingford)	25
		"	for cleaning S. House, Wallingford	10 00

M. V. Williams, for supplies	$2 80
Mattie E. Blanchard, part pay for teaching of fall term	70 00
Fannie A. Cook, part pay for teaching of fall term	25 00
G. B. Frost, part pay for teaching of fall term	50 00
Julia A. Canty, for teaching fall term, 10 weeks, E. Wallingford	60 00
Mary E. Darcy, for teaching fall term ten weeks, Centerville	65 00
Mary L. Belden, for teaching fall term, 14 weeks, Aldrichville	84 00
Delia M. Crowley, for teaching fall term, 12 weeks, Hawkins school	87 00
Agnes Stitt, for teaching fall term, 12 weeks, Sprague school	72 00
Carrie Edgerton, for teaching fall term, 12 weeks, West Hill	73 50
Anna S. McCormick, for teaching fall term, 13 weeks, S. Wallingford	97 50
David Sheldon, for boarding Maud Hall	10 00
The Tuttle Company, for supplies	51 64
G. B. Frost, bal. for teaching fall term	100 00
Bertha A. Whitney, for teaching fall term, 15 weeks.	150 00
Mattie E. Blanchard, bal. for teaching fall term, including assistant's wages (Gertrude Miller)	102 50
G. B. Frost, bal. for teaching fall term	100 00
Fannie A. Cook, bal. for teaching of fall term	87 50
C. O Stafford, for wood	8 25
Robert L. Waldo, for janitor work, village school	30 75
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., for books	17 00
Silver, Burdette & Co., for supplies	74 00
Ginn & Co., for books	6 50
E. C. Kent, for wood	12 00
E. H. & B. W. Aldrich, for wood and use of house	25 00
John S. Tupper, for services as superintendent (32 visits and report)	29 75

J. R. Priest, items as follow:

1896.

Feb.	13	Four doz. pencils	$ 60
	23	Error on Willie Rounds' acct	1 50
	26	S. F. Sherman, washing schoolhouse	2 50
April	17	Bolts and window fixtures	1 00
	20	Delia Congdon, washing schoolhouse	3 00
	21	Pencils and pads	75
	27	Miss Armstrong, washing schoolhouse and broom	75
May	14	Pencils and tablets	1 70
	25	Five gross pens	5 75
	28	Tablets	40
July	3	F. Largess, building fires	1 00
		Mrs. Bucklin, washing schoolhouse	3 00
Aug.	13	D. A. Graves, repairs on schoolhouse	1 10
Sept.	1	Sabin's insurance tax	2 79
	14	Broom and pencils	48
Oct.	19	Broom and dipper	35
Nov.	23	Dan. Mulqueen, building fires	1 50
		Willie Rounds, building fires	2 10
		Ira D. Parker, for wood	18 00
Dec.	10	Broom, dipper, washdish and lock	65
	24	W. R. Spaulding, for glass, etc	1 70
	30	M. K. Headle, janitor work and repairs on house	9 00
		Carl Bucklin, fitting wood and putting in house	5 25
		Fay Anderson, building fires	1 75
		M. E. Hawkins, janitor work and washing house and repairs	8 50
		F. H. Brown & Co., for school supplies	15 41
		Nine days as school director	13 50
		Six boxes chalk and three doz. pencils	75
		To pay G. A. Spooner, work	25
D. B. Stafford, for services as director			12 00

To R. C. Stafford.

1896.			
		To attending nine directors' meetings ...	$13 50
March	13	Wallingford to procure janitor.....	1 00
April	11	carrying teacher to Aldrichville.....	1 25
	21	Wallingford and West Hill with books, etc.....	1 75
	22	Rutland, one-half day.....	75
May	11	Wallingford, to order supplies.	75
June	6	Wallingford, to hire teachers.....	1 00
July	17	Aldrichville, after teacher.....	1 25
Aug.	4	Wallingford, unpack and check books.	1 50
	12	work changing seats in Wallingford schoolhouse	1 00
	15	Wallingford, to see about grading and get books...	1 00
Nov.	11	Centerville, to take supplies.....	1 50
	21	Aldrichville, after teacher.....	1 25
Dec.	7	Wallingford, to repair stove.....	75
		East Wallingford with books..... .	75
	8	cash paid Henry Twine, janitor, So. Wallingford.....	1 60
	16	cash paid Chas. Wade, cutting wood..	2 25
	28	cash paid to Frank Fuller for wood...	1 00
		going to East Wallingford and Centerville with supplies.....	1 50
		going to East Wallingford after orders.....	1 50
		Telegraphing.....	75
		express on diplomas.....	25
		postage on register.....	6
		writing 16 postal cards.....	16
		writing 218 letters at three cents each.	6 54
		cash paid for express on books.....	1 65
		cash paid for report books.....	2 12
		cash paid Clark Edgerton for work...	90
		cash paid for soap.....	5
		cash paid for express on books.....	70
		recording 26 deaths, 15 cents each....	3 90

	To recording 31 births, 15 cents each.....	$4 65
	cash paid J. T. Nichols for mdse.....	3 80
	cash paid Chas. D. Miner, work and merchandise.....	5 51
	cash paid Joseph Grenno, repairs... .	30
	cash paid S. C. Saunders, mdse.....	1 03
	cash paid H. C. Cole, for work..... .	9 00
	cash paid C. H. Edgerton, for work...	75
	cash paid H. C. Sabin, truant officer..	6 00
	cash paid David Sheldon, work.....	90
	cash paid Mrs. Pooler for water.....	3 00
	cash paid G. B. Frost for expense on bell.....	3 90
	Cash paid Vt. School Seat Co., ink wells.....	5 00
	Cash paid W. P. Carey & Co., mdse.	3 25
	cash paid to The Tuttle Co., labels....	63
	cash paid to Waters' boys(janitor work)	33
1897.		
Feb. 9	cash paid to Robert Allen (janitor work).....	5 00
Delia M. Crowley, for teaching winter term, 10 weeks, Hawkins school.....		72 50
Alice E. Rooney, for teaching winter term, 10 weeks, Sprague school.....		65 00
	Total.....	$3,841 94

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN R. PRIEST,
D. B. STAFFORD,
R. C. STAFFORD,
} Directors.

SCHOOL FUND ACCOUNT. Dr.

1896.			
Feb.	14	To cash from last year	$1,312 79
	15	To book sold Harold Congdon	21
	22	To cash received of S. Hemenway, rent of leased land	10 00
	29	To cash received of F. W. Johnson, tuition	7 00
Mar.	5	To cash received of Myron Weaver, book sold	22
	7	To cash received of Ella Edgerton, tuition	5 50
		To cash received of Miss Stapleton, book sold	86
	17	To cash received of State treasurer, Huntington fund	66 04
July	3	To cash received of State school fund	405 55
Aug.	4	To cash received of Ben Eddy, tuition	5 00
Sept.	17	To cash received of Wm. H. Congdon, rent, Foster leased land	20 00
		To cash received of Wm. H. Congdon, interest on above	50
		To amount appropriated from town taxes	3,300 00
Feb.	1	To cash received of Ben Eddy, tuition, 1895-6	6 00
	4	To cash received of Jos. Edgerton, interest on Ives fund	24 06
		To cash received of F. W. Johnson, tuition	15 00
		To cash received of W. G. Marsh, for old school house	5 00
		To cash received of J. R. Priest, tuition, Miss Spears	5 50
		To cash received of J. R. Priest, book sold	30
		To cash received of J. R. Priest, Ives fund	66 40
		To cash received of trustees U. S. deposit money	209 29
		To cash received of R. C. Stafford, wood sold	1 80

To cash received of R. C. Stafford, wood sold Miss Blanchard		$3 23
To cash received of R. C. Stafford, book sold		17
To cash received of R. C. Stafford, paper sold		85
	Cr.	
By cash paid out on S. D. orders, as shown in their report	$3,816 94	
By cash to credit of school fund	1,654 53	
	$5,471 47	$5,471 47

LIQUOR ACCOUNT.

		Dr.
To amount of liquor on hand		$437 04
Invoice of liquors during year		2,562 69
Agent's salary to February, 1897		242 00
Freight and cartage		26 46
U. S. license		25 00
Faucets		4 00
Book and express		3 00
Profit on sales		225 79
	Cr.	
By inventory of liquors on hand	$670 39	
Cash in agent's hands	80 97	
By cash paid town treasurer for sales	2,774 62	
	$3,525 98	$3,525 98

BOUNTY ACCOUNT, 1896.

	Dr.	Cr.
Received from State treasurer	$6 00	
Due from State treasurer at last settlement		$5 40
Mar. 24 Paid Charles Sprague		60
	$6 00	$6 00

Nov.	3	Paid Ernest Senecal, 4 foxes		$2 40
	10	Oscar Burns, 6 foxes		3 60
	14	John Maloney, 1 fox		60
	25	Myron Roberts, 2 foxes		1 20
Dec.	10	Robert Hopkins, 1 fox		60
	26	Oscar Burns, 2 foxes		1 20
		Horace Niles, 3 foxes		1 80
Jan.	25	S. A. Eddy, 3 foxes		1 80
Due from State treasurer			$13 20	
			$13 20	$13 20

DOG LICENSE ACCOUNT.

1896.	Dr.	Cr.
To cash received, licenses, 108 dogs	$108 00	
To cash received, licenses, 4 dogs	16 00	
To cash received June 25, 2 dogs	8 00	
To cash received June 25, 1 dog	1 00	
By paid town clerk's fees		$11 50
By paid W. H. H. Sabin, to fees on warrant,		4 00
By paid W. H. H. Sabin, one copy		1 00
By paid Frank Miller, one sheep killed		3 00
By paid Frank Miller, killing 3 dogs		3 00
By cash to general fund account		110 50
	$133 00	$133 00

S. C. SAUNDERS, TREASURER, AS COLLECTOR OF TAXES, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WALLINGFORD.

	Dr.	Cr.
To tax bill of 1896	$14,483 38	
By amount of taxes paid in		$13,189 20
By 4 per cent. discount		549 52
By error in J. D. Miller's tax		34 80
By amount turned to W. H. H Sabin, coll. of taxes		709 86
	$14,483 38	$14,483 38

H. D. CONGDON, COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

C. L. Higgins, Admr.

1896.			Dr.	Cr.
Feb.	10	To balance 1894 taxes	$47 05	
		By amount due town, tax bill, 1894		$47 05
			$47 05	$47 05

C. L. HIGGINS, COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

		Dr.	Cr.
1895	To balance 1895 tax bill.....	$546 88	
	Credit, by cash		$388 50
	Credit, by abatements.....		24 55
	Credit, by balance due town.....		133 83
		$546 88	$546 88

W. H. H. SABIN, COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

1896.			Dr	Cr.
Sept.	8	To balance 1896 tax bill	$709 86	
		To 106 names, at 5 cents.....	5 30	
Feb.	8	Credit by cash.....		$100 00
	9	Credit by abatements		59 90
		Credit, by balance due town.....		555 26
			$715 16	$715 16

S. C. SAUNDERS, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH TOWN OF WALLINGFORD.

Feb. 11, 1897.	Dr.
Cash on hand belonging to school fund account.....	$1,312 79
Cash on hand belonging to highway account.....	299 44
Cash on hand received from liquor account.....	2,774 62
Cash on hand received of C. L. Higgins, 1895.....	413 05
Cash on hand received of W. H. H. Sabin, 1896....	159 90

Cash borrowed Rutland S. bank		$5,400 00
Cash received from W. S. Ballou, "justice fines"		17 50
Cash received from A. G. Stone, "justice fines"		44 85
Cash received from Joseph Randall		9 81
To taxes paid in		13,189 20
To cash received on dog licenses		133 00
To cash received of State treasurer, bounties		6 00
To cash received, as shown in road commissioner's account		2,737 58
To cash received as shown in school fund account		4,158 68
To deficit in general account		2,026 53
	Cr.	
By deficit in general account	$1,323 56	
By cash paid out on school directors' orders	3,816 94	
By cash in treasury belonging to school fund account	1,654 53	
By cash paid out on road com. orders	2,338 79	
By cash in treasury belonging to highway account	698 23	
By cash paid out for liquors, agent's fees, and cartage	2,863 15	
By cash paid out on bonded indebtedness	4,046 23	
By cash paid out on selectmen's orders	9,507 38	
By cash paid out on overseer's orders	783 58	
By cash tranferred to school fund acc't	3,300 00	
By cash transferred to highway account	2,317 26	
By cash paid to town clerk, licensing dogs	11 50	
By cash paid to W. H. H. Sabin, "killing dogs"	8 00	
By cash for fox bounties	13 80	
	$32,682 95	$32,682 95

ESTIMATE OF TOWN EXPENSES FOR 1897.

Bonds, interest	$1,072 00
Bonds due July 1, 1897, 7 per cent	2,200 00
Bonds due Jan. 1, 1898, 5 per cent	3,000 00
State school tax list, 1896	579 30
State highway tax, 1896	579 30
Interest on U. S. deposit money	209 29
Town officers, etc	335 00
Expenses of the poor	1,000 00
Money for bridges, sluices, etc	800 00
County tax, due June 1, 1897	105 00
Schools	3,300 00
State tax	1,158 60
Deficit in general account	2,026 53
Outstanding order	800 00
	$17,165 02
Balance uncollected taxes	736 14
Balance to be provided for	$16,428 88

There is also a 20 per cent tax for highways. To meet the estimated liabilities of the town, the selectmen and auditors recommend a tax of one hundred and forty-five (145) cents on the dollar.

CHARLES P. GOSS, }
ELROY KENT, } Auditors.

ALONZO KENT FUND.

(C. L. Higgins, Exr.)

			Dr.	Cr.
Sept.	1	To received from C. L. Higgins	$3,000 00	
	3	By invested in Rutland Trust Co		$1,000 00
		By invested in Proctor Trust Co		1,000 00
		By invested in Rutland Savings bank		1,000 00
	4	By paid Lou M. Stone		79 73

1897.				
Jan.	2	By paid Lucretia M. Stone...		60 00
June	20	By paid J. C. Baker..		4 00
		To amount from gen. fund...	143 73	
			$3,143 73	$3,143 73

The bonded indebtedness of the town is as follows:

7 per cent bonds due July 1, 1897.....	$2,200 00
5 per cent bonds due January 1, 1898	3,000 00
5 per cent bonds due January 1, 1899	3,200 00
5 per cent bonds due January 1, 1900	3,300 00
5 per cent bonds due January 1, 1901	3,500 00
5 per cent bonds due January 1, 1902	3,700 00
5 per cent bonds due January 1, 1903.....	3,200 00
Total.....	$22,100 00

Interest on above to be paid semi-annually.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Herewith I have the honor to present you my report as superintendent of the public schools of this town for the past year. I have, as the statute directs, visited each school once during each term taught. My observation leads me to believe that good work, as a rule, has been performed by both teachers and scholars. The difficulties that appeared to arise from the necessary change from the old law to the new have in a large degree been overcome, and all connected with our schools seem to be working with fair accord under these new, and not long since, untried conditions. In my visitation upon the different schools, I have noticed a commendable increase of interest on the part of teachers as well as scholars. I have reason to believe, and do believe, that there has been good advance in scholarship in every school in town. Especially has this advancement been noticed during the last term in all our largest schools

TEACHERS.—I feel called upon to commend the directors for the success they have attained in securing at reasonable

prices for their services good, competent, able instructors in nearly all our schools. In some few instances, scholarship was not as thorough as should be desirable, or the methods of discipline used all that could have been wished. A change of teacher, with a resultant change of methods of instruction and of discipline, will sometimes ruffle the spirit of harmony that should exist between teacher and scholars. With the exercise of patience on the part of both teacher and scholar, and perhaps might be added in some instances, of parents, all parties may learn to know each other better, to understand the various natures that underlie the actions of each, and thereby judge more fully the proper course that should be taken in order to secure desirable results. Most of the teachers have been painstaking and interested in the advancement of their work and the scholarly progress of their pupils. In only one instance have I felt that the teacher's work was of little or no benefit to the scholars in attendance. In that case, the directors corrected the difficulty by a change of teacher as soon as practicable. Frequent change of teachers in our public schools should not be encouraged, where the scholarship of the teacher is sufficient and the methods of instruction are both thorough and able, unless the teacher is so lax in the matter of discipline as to render ineffective the work of scholarship or correct methods of instruction.

Attendance.—During the past year the attendance of the scholars has increased in some schools and diminished in others. Increase of attendance is apt to follow as the result of an increase of interest on the part of both teacher and scholars. Much also depends upon the interest which parents themselves take in the efficiency, as well as the necessity of our public schools. If they could but realize the benefits that such schools are to their children, they would be less willing to excuse their tardiness and non-attendance upon these important and useful institutions of our commonwealth. The exercise of parental authority or influence in such a matter ought to be resorted to more frequently than it is in many cases found to be. No scholar can be thorough in his work, keep in touch with the rest of his class, or achieve good results, who is frequently absent from his recitations.

Public Property.—I have noticed no wanton waste or damage of the public property, which by the statute has been recently placed in the hands of teachers and scholars. Continued carefulness in this respect is both hoped for and expected. I have heard no complaint that the amount of supplies was otherwise than ample and sufficient.

Instruction.—Among the studies which the law provides shall be taught in our public schools, I have noticed especial proficiency in the primary work. Newer methods are taking the place of old, which seem to fix the interest of the young pupil, and thereby encourage his advancement. I have been very much interested in my visits upon the primary department of our graded school. The care and oversight displayed by the teacher over her pupils, together with the attentive interest shown by these young scholars in the performance of all the exercises of their department, is a charming picture of what may be accomplished by faithful and earnest work of the teacher, aided by the special power which she exercises in winning their respect and esteem. I wish parents and friends would more frequently visit this department in order to witness this object-lesson of good, faithful work and its results. In the higher grades no better instructors need be looked for than those who now are, or have recently been, employed. In all the large schools of the town the teachers have put good, earnest work into these advanced studies. Especially is this fact noticeable in the graded school, where thorough work of instruction is being used for the advancement of the interests of the school. I may not approve of all the methods put in force, but on the whole must acknowledge that if there is any lack, it does not arise from a want of hard, earnest work and painstaking application on the part of most of the teachers in the public schools of this town.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. TUPPER,

Town Superintendent.

Wallingford, Vt., Feb. 15, 1897.

NOTICE.

The inhabitants of the town of Wallingford, who are legal voters in town meeting, are hereby warned to meet at the town house in Wallingford, on Tuesday, the 2d day of March, 1897, at ten (10) o'clock a. m., to transact the following business, viz:

1. To hear the several reports to be submitted.

2. To see if the town will vote to pay the town officers a salary, and if so, how much?

3. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

4. To see if the town will vote an appropriation, and how much, for the maintenance, care and increase of the Gilbert Hart Library.

5. To vote to raise money by tax or otherwise for the necessary expenses of the town for the year ensuing; also to pay the interest on the town bonds due July 1st, 1897, and January 1st, 1898, and bonds coming due January 1st, 1898.

6. To vote if the taxes shall be paid to the treasurer as provided by statute, or vote directions to the collector to deduct a per cent, and to fix such per cent to be deducted if the taxes are paid by a certain time to be fixed by said meeting, or vote some other method for the collection of taxes.

7. To see if the town will vote to build a town house or elect one or more trustees to take charge of the Kent fund.

8. To see if the town will vote to lay out a portion, and if so, to fix what portion, of the highway tax in repairing sidewalks.

9. To see if the town will vote to buy a lockup.

10. To transact any other business proper when met.

B. W. ALDRICH,
C. O. ALLEN, } Selectmen.
W. R. SPAULDING,

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